

RESOLUTION OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
APPROVING THE URBAN RENEWAL PLAN AND THE
CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH RELOCATION PAYMENTS WILL
BE MADE FOR THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT/
BEDFORD-WEST URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT

WHEREAS, in connection with an application of the Boston Redevelopment Authority (hereinafter called the "Authority") to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (hereinafter called "HUD"), for financial assistance under Title I of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, the approval by the Authority of an Urban Renewal Plan for the project area involved in such application (such area being defined in said Plan text) is required by the Federal Government before it will enter into a contract for loan and grant with the Authority under said Title I;

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations prescribed by HUD pursuant to Title I require that the conditions under which the Authority will make relocation payments in connection with the Urban Renewal Project contemplated by the application and the schedule of average annual gross rentals for standard housing in the locality to be used for determining the amounts of relocation adjustment payments to be made in connection with such Project;

WHEREAS, there was presented to this meeting of the Authority, for its consideration and approval, a copy of an Urban Renewal Plan for the Project Area, dated January, 1973, which plan is entitled "Central Business District/Bedford-West Urban Renewal Plan" and consists of a title page, a table of contents of two pages, 18 pages of text, and four maps which are attached thereto and certified by the Secretary of the Authority to be part of such Plan;

WHEREAS, there was also presented a set of conditions under which the Authority will make relocation payments, which set of conditions is set forth in the Relocation Program set forth in Code No. R-223 of the Part I: Final Project Report for the Central Business District/Bedford-West Urban Renewal Project presented to this meeting;

WHEREAS, the Urban Renewal Plan and the conditions under which the Authority will make relocation payments were reviewed and considered at this meeting;

WHEREAS, the Authority, pursuant to Chapter 652 of the Acts of 1960, has been granted the powers and shall perform the duties conferred on planning boards of cities in Massachusetts by general laws applicable to Boston, including Section 70 of Chapter 41 of the Massachusetts General Laws, and has also been granted the powers and shall perform the duties conferred or imposed by statute or ordinance on the former City of Boston Planning Board;

WHEREAS, the Urban Renewal Plan has been reviewed for conformity with the "1965-1975 General Plan for the City of Boston and the Regional Core" (hereinafter called the "general plan"), which was duly approved by the Authority at its meeting on March 11, 1965, and for consistency with local objectives respecting appropriate land uses, improved traffic, public transportation, public utilities, recreational and community facilities, and other public improvements; and

WHEREAS, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the regulations of HUD effectuating that Title, provide that no person shall, on the ground of race, color, sex, religion, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination in the undertaking and carrying out of urban renewal projects assisted under Title I of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended;

WHEREAS, Chapter 781 of the Massachusetts Act of 1972 § 61 provide that all feasible measures be taken to avoid or minimize damage to the environment.

NOW, THEREFORE , it is hereby resolved:

(1) That the aforesaid conditions under which the Authority will make relocation payments are hereby in all respects approved;

(2) That the Urban Renewal Plan is based upon a local survey, conforms to the comprehensive plan for the locality as a whole and to the workable program for community improvements, and is consistent with the aforesaid local objectives of the community;

(3) That the Central Business District/Bedford-West Urban Renewal Plan is hereby in all respects approved;

(4) That it is hereby found and determined that the objectives of the Urban Renewal Plan cannot be achieved through more extensive rehabilitation of the Project Area;

(5) That the Secretary of the Authority is hereby authorized to reproduce the 4 maps which are a part of said Plan, and upon appropriate certification thereof by the Secretary, to file the Urban Renewal Plan, consisting of the aforesaid title page, table of contents, 18 pages of text and the 4 maps which are reproduced as aforesaid, with the minutes of this meeting and in appropriate recording offices, and such Urban Renewal Plan, with the certification of the Secretary inscribed thereon, shall be conclusively deemed to be the official Urban Renewal Plan of the Authority for the Central Business District/Bedford-West Urban Renewal Project; and

(6) That the United States of America and the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development be, and they hereby are, assured of full compliance by the Authority with regulations of HUD effectuating Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

(7) That all feasible measures have been taken to avoid or minimize damage to the environment.